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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF WATER UTILITY OF GREATER BUCKEYE FOR **EXTENSION OF ITS EXISTING** CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND **NECESSITY.**

DOCKET NO. W-02451A-06-0792

STAFF'S LATE-FILED EXHIBIT AMENDED RECOMMENDATIONS

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On September 24, 2007, Staff of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC" or "Commission") issued its Staff Report in this matter. Staff recommended approval of the Application, subject to several conditions listed in the Staff Report. On October 9, 2007, the Applicant filed its exceptions to the Staff Report, citing several of Staff's conditions.

On October 25, 2007, a hearing in this matter was conducted before Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") Yvette B. Kinsey. At hearing, Staff agreed to several of the terms proposed by the Applicant in its exceptions to the Staff Report. In order to make the record clear as to exactly the conditions to which Staff was agreeing, ALJ Kinsey requested that Staff file a late-filed exhibit, clarifying each of the changes from the Staff Report. Staff hereby submits that late-filed exhibit.

I. Staff Condition No. 2 21

> Water Utility of Greater Buckeye ("WUGB") has requested that the Commission extend the deadline for the filing of the Franchise Agreement with Maricopa County from 365 days, as it appears in the Staff Report, to 2 years. Staff amends its recommendation and concurs with WUGB. Therefore, Staff's Condition No. 2, as it appears in the Staff Report, should be amended to read, in pertinent part, "... within 2 years of the decision in this matter."

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II. Condition No. 3

WUGB has provided the Certificate of Assured Water Supply ("CAWS") as Staff had recommended. Staff is satisfied that this condition has been met. Staff therefore withdraws its recommendation regarding Condition No. 3.

III. Condition No. 4

WUGB has provided the Approval To Construct ("ATC") as Staff had recommended. Staff is satisfied that this condition has been met. Staff therefore withdraws its recommendation regarding Condition No. 4.

IV. Condition No. 6

WUGB has requested that it be given 12 months in which to comply with Staff's Condition that Approval Of Construction ("AOC") relating to a storage tank of at least 16,000 gallons. Staff amends its recommendation and concurs with WUGB. Therefore, Staff's Condition No. 6, as it appears in the Staff Report, should be amended to read, in pertinent part, "... within 12 months of the effective date of the decision in this case."

V. Condition No. 7

WUGB has requested that it be given 12 months in which to comply with Staff's Condition that Approval Of Construction ("AOC") issued by the Maricopa County Environmental Services Division ("MCESD") relating to the interconnection of the WUBG Sweetwater II water system and the town of Buckeye municipal water system. Staff amends its recommendation and concurs with WUGB. Therefore, Staff's Condition No. 7, as it appears in the Staff Report, should be amended to read, in pertinent part, "... within 12 months of the effective date of the decision in this case."

VI. Summary

The final paragraph of the Executive Summary of the Staff Report should be amended as well to conform with the changes reflected above. Therefore, that paragraph should read, in pertinent part "... should WUGB fail to meet Conditions No. 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 listed above..."

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CONCLUSION 2 Staff hereby submits the proposed amendments to the Staff report. The changes proposed in this exhibit reflect the changes made verbally by Staff's witnesses at hearing and constitute Staff's 3 4 position in this matter. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 29th day of October, 2007. 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 Original and 13 copies of the foregoing filed this 29th day of October, 2007, with: 14 **Docket Control** 15 Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 West Washington 16 Phoenix, Arizona 85007 17 Copy of the foregoing mailed this 29th day of October, 2007, to: 18 Michael W. Patten, Esq. 19 Timothy J. Sabo, Esq. Roshka, DeWulf & Patten, PLC 20 One Arizona Center 400 E. Van Buren St., Suite 800 21 Phoenix, Arizona 85004 22 23 Sphley Glodge 24 25 26

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